

Town of Weare
Finance Committee

Minutes of the Meeting
of November 12, 2009

The organizational meeting of the 2009-10 Finance Committee was held on Thursday, November 12, 2009, at 7 p.m. in the Conservation Committee room in the Town Office.

Present were Janet Benson, Gregg Elwood, Neal Kurk, Brenda Lashway, John Rauscher, Ike Shepard, Jeff Spring and Mark Sullivan. Also present was town moderator Gerry Little. Unavoidably absent was Diane McDowell.

1. Gerry called the meeting to order and explained the role of the committee.
2. Members elected Brenda as chairman, Ike as vice chairman and Neal as secretary.
3. The committee created and staffed three sub-units:

<u>John Stark</u>	<u>Weare Schools</u>	<u>Town</u>
Gregg	Jeff	Ike
John	Brenda	Janet
Diane (?)	Mark	Neal

4. The committee discussed the best approach to its task. One approach would be to make recommendations based on a line-by-line examination of spending; another would be to make recommendations based on tax burden. The consensus favored the latter, and it was agreed that specifics would be examined at the next meeting.
5. The committee decided to forgo the usual department head presentations and ask for revenue information from both the schools and the town. The chairman agreed to make the appropriate arrangements for the next meeting.
6. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, December 2, 2009, at 7 p.m. at the same place.
7. The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Neal M. Kurk
Secretary

